



The Albany/FELIX First-Order Stokes Dycore

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Sandia's Role in the PISCEES Project: The Albany/FELIX Dycore

To **develop** and **support** a robust and scalable unstructured grid finite element land ice dycore based on the “first-order” (FO) Stokes physics → ***Albany/FELIX dycore***

The ***Albany/FELIX*** First-Order Stokes dycore is implemented in a Sandia (open-source) parallel C++ finite element code called...

Started
by A.
Salinger



Land Ice Physics Set
(***Albany/FELIX code***)

Other Albany
Physics Sets

- Solver libraries (linear/nonlinear)
- Preconditioners
- Automatic differentiation
- Discretizations/meshes
- Many others!



- Parameter estimation
- Uncertainty quantification
- Optimization
- Bayesian inference



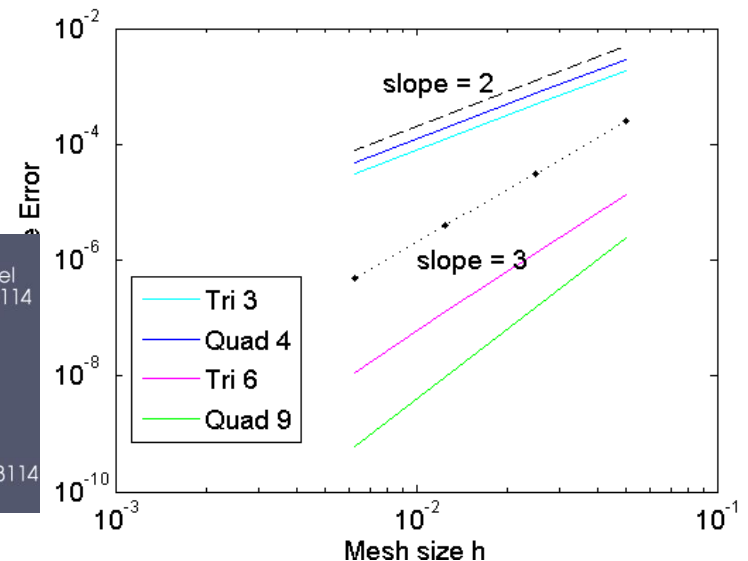
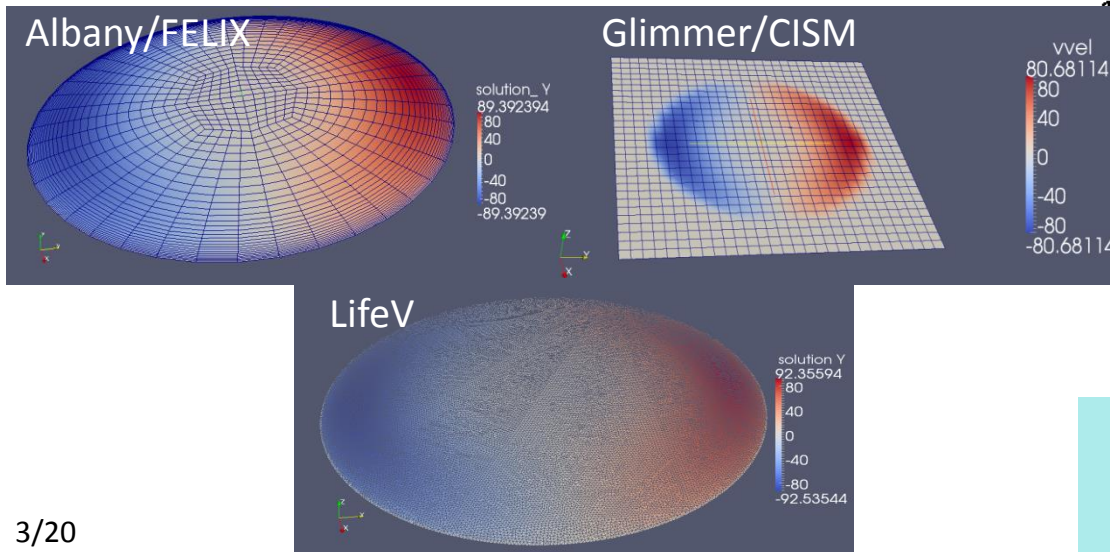
- Configure/build/test/documentation

*Use of **Trilinos** components has enabled the **rapid** development of the **Albany/FELIX** First Order Stokes dycore (~1.5 FTEs for all of work shown!).*

2012 Recap: Implementation & Verification of First-Order Stokes PDEs/BCs

- Implemented non-linear “**first-order Stokes**” PDEs with Glen’s law viscosity.
- Implemented basal sliding and floating ice BCs.
- Performed **verification** of new code:
 - Accuracy and convergence verification on **MMS problems** (right).
 - Code-to-code comparisons on **canonical ice sheet benchmarks** (below).

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_1) = -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial x} \\ -\nabla \cdot (2\mu \dot{\epsilon}_2) = -\rho g \frac{\partial s}{\partial y} \end{cases}, \quad \text{in } \Omega$$



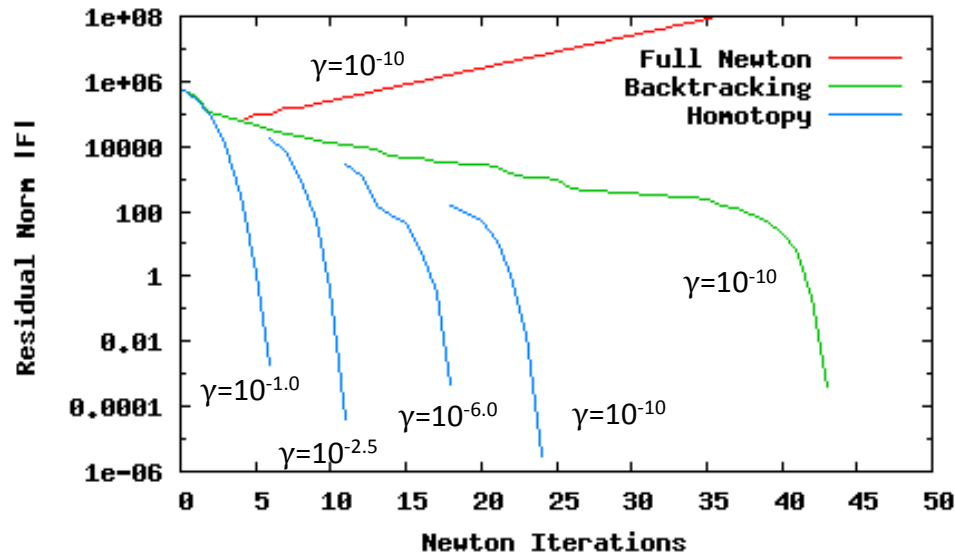
Collaborators:

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S. Price, W. Lipscomb (LANL)

2012 Recap (continued): Robustness & Scalability

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- Newton's method most **robust** with full step + homotopy continuation of $\gamma \rightarrow 10^{-10}$: converges out-of-the-box!

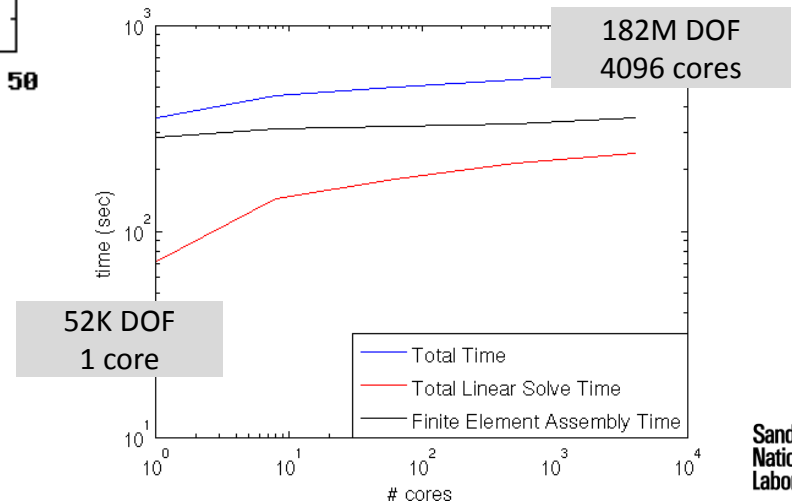


Glen's Law Viscosity:

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} A^{-\frac{1}{n}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \dot{\epsilon}_{ij}^2 + \gamma \right)^{\left(\frac{1}{2n} - \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

γ = regularization
parameter

- Weak scaling** for ISMIP-HOM Test C (right).
 - Finite element assembly nearly constant.
 - Linear algebra fast but not constant.





Albany/FELIX 2012-13 Progress

2012:

- Implement first-order Stokes physics and relevant BCs (basal sliding, floating ice) in Albany/FELIX code.
- Verify code on MMS and canonical benchmark problems.
- Preliminary performance (robustness and scalability) studies.

} Irina's talk
LIWG 2013

2013:

- Import Greenland/Antarctica data (β , temperature,...) into Albany/FELIX.
- Import various mesh formats (structured hex, structured tet, unstructured).
- Couple Albany/FELIX to MPAS and CISM codes.
- Do verification and performance studies on Greenland/Antarctica problems to mature the code for science runs.

} Irina's talk
LIWG 2014
(*this talk!*)

- Deterministic inversion for initialization.
- Bayesian calibration for initialization.

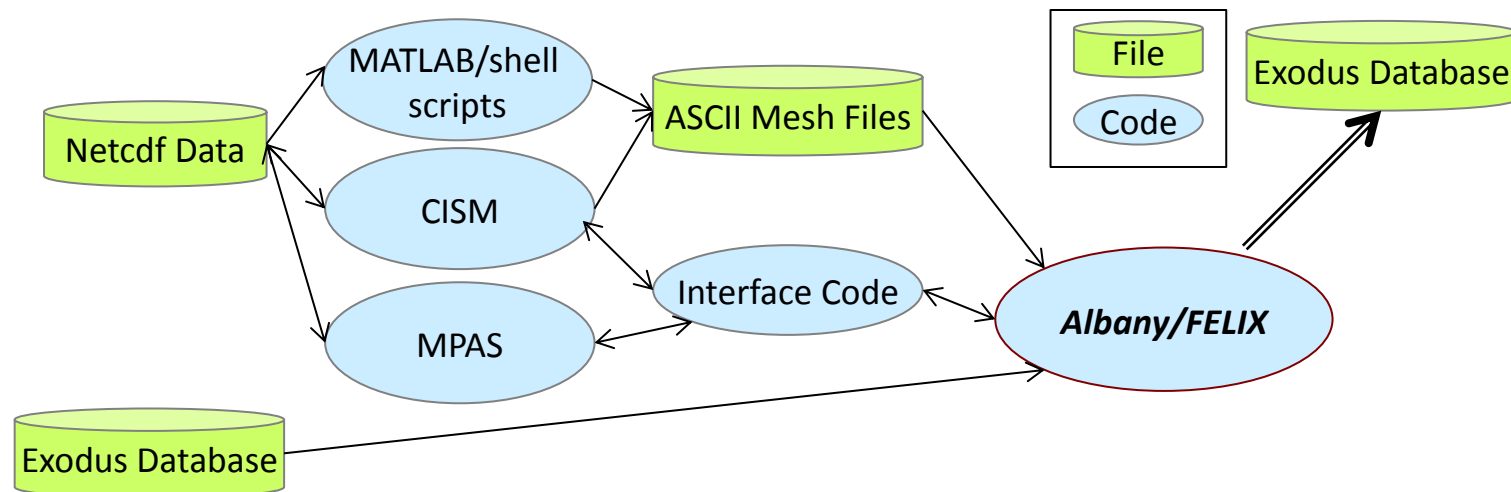
} Mauro Perego's talk
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We Now Support Several Mesh/Data Input Methods (Full Data)!

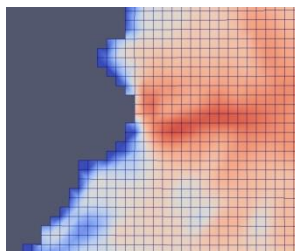
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Data (geometry, topography, surface height, basal traction, temperature, etc.) needs to be imported into Albany to run “real” problems (Greenland, Antarctica).

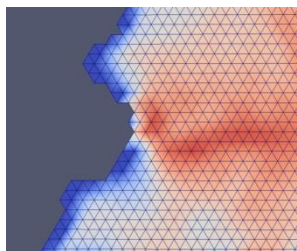
- **Approach 1 for data input:** Netcdf file → ASCII file → Albany ASCII Mesh Reader → Albany.
- **Approach 2 for data input:** Netcdf file → run CISM/MPAS → Albany interface → Albany.
- **Approach 3 for data input:** Exodus file → Albany.



Structured Hex (CISM)



Structured Tet (MPAS)

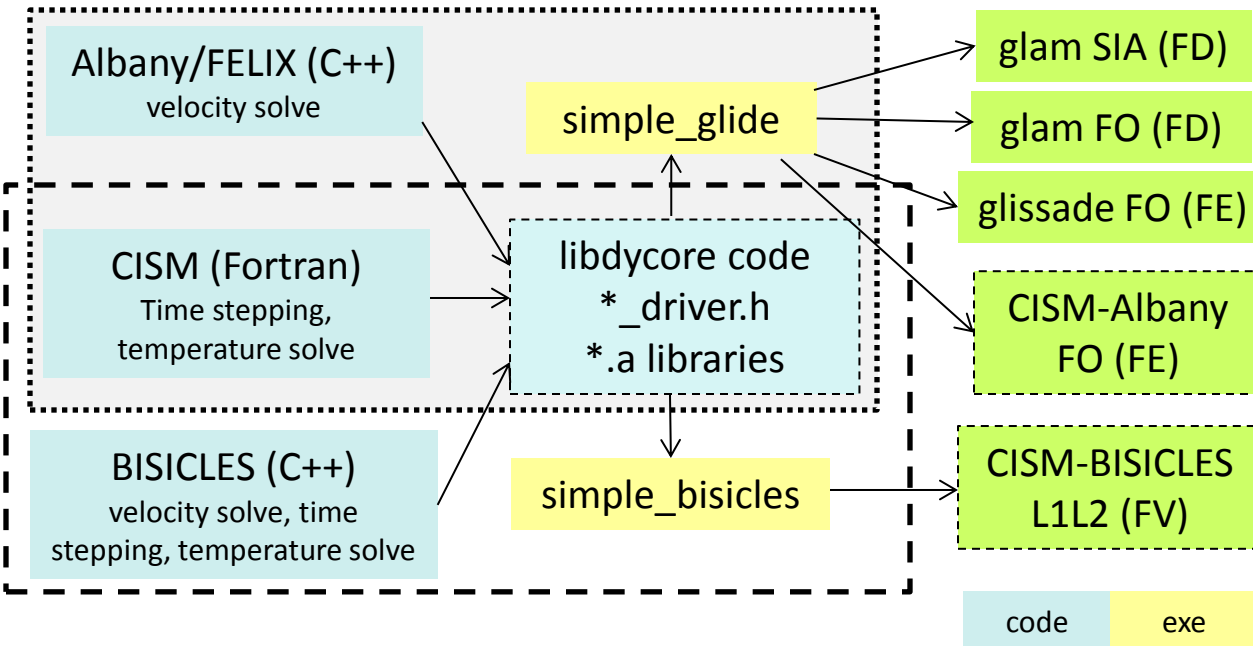


Albany/FELIX, MPAS-Albany, CISM-Albany are up and running on **Hopper** and **Titan**!

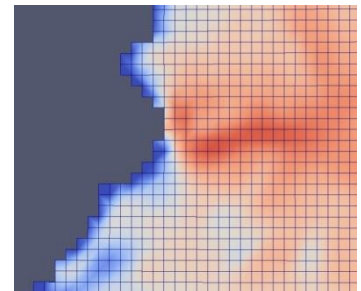
Unstructured
Delauney
Triangle (MPAS)

CISM-Albany Interface

I. Kalashnikova (SNL); D. Ranken, M. Hoffman, S. Price (LANL)

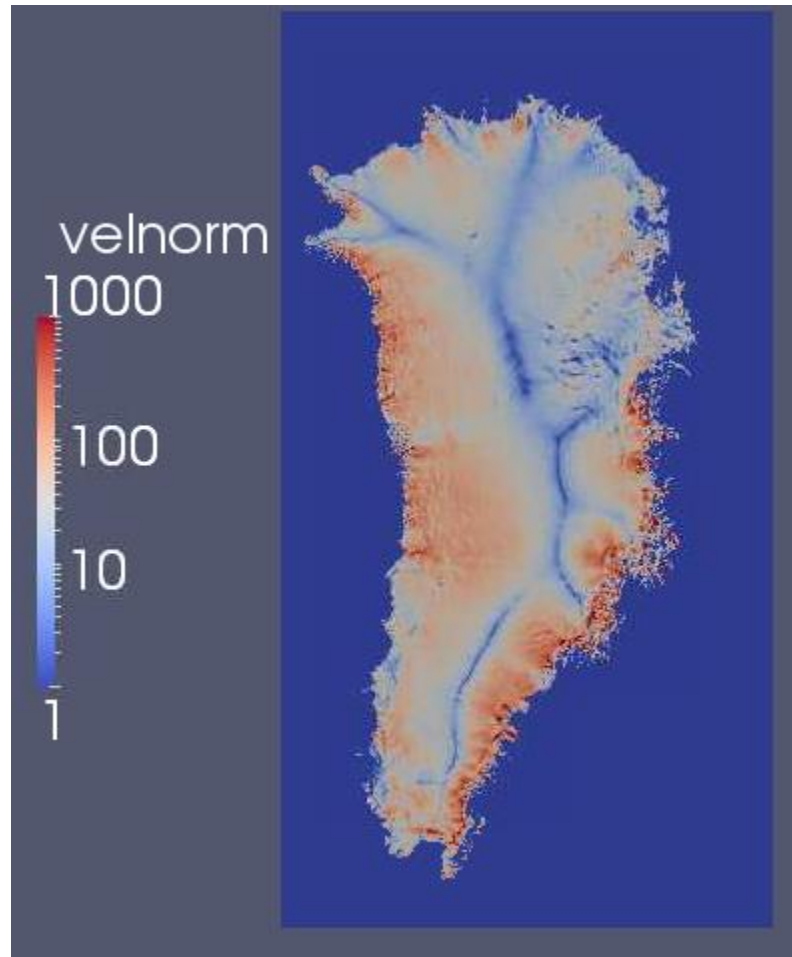


We have set up a twice weekly **cronjob** that pulls and builds Trilinos and CISM-Albany on **Hopper** (and soon **Titan**).

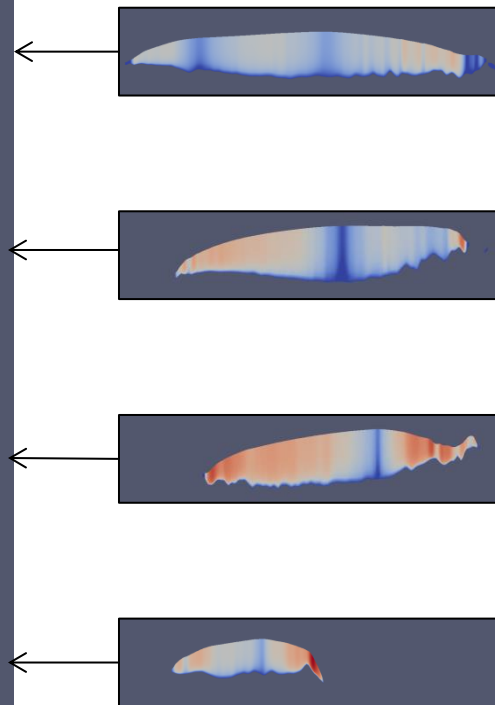


- CISM-Albany interface uses libdycore code in CISM (like **BISICLES** external dycore)→ **structured**
- **hexahedral grids**.
- CISM cmake scripts pull in required Albany libraries/*.h files (-D ALBANY_FELIX_DYCORE:BOOL=ON).
- Simple_glide executable is created/run (with dycore = 3, external_dycore_type = 2).
- CISM passes to Albany info about geometry, temperature, sliding coefficient, floating condition; Albany returns velocity field.
- Time-stepping, temperature solve done in CISM.

Structured Hexahedral Grid Results (CISM-Albany Interface)



Surface velocity magnitude
[m/yr]



Velocity magnitude [m/yr]
in x-z planes. (height "z" is
stretched 100x.)

1 km resolution
"new" (9/25/13)
Greenland dataset

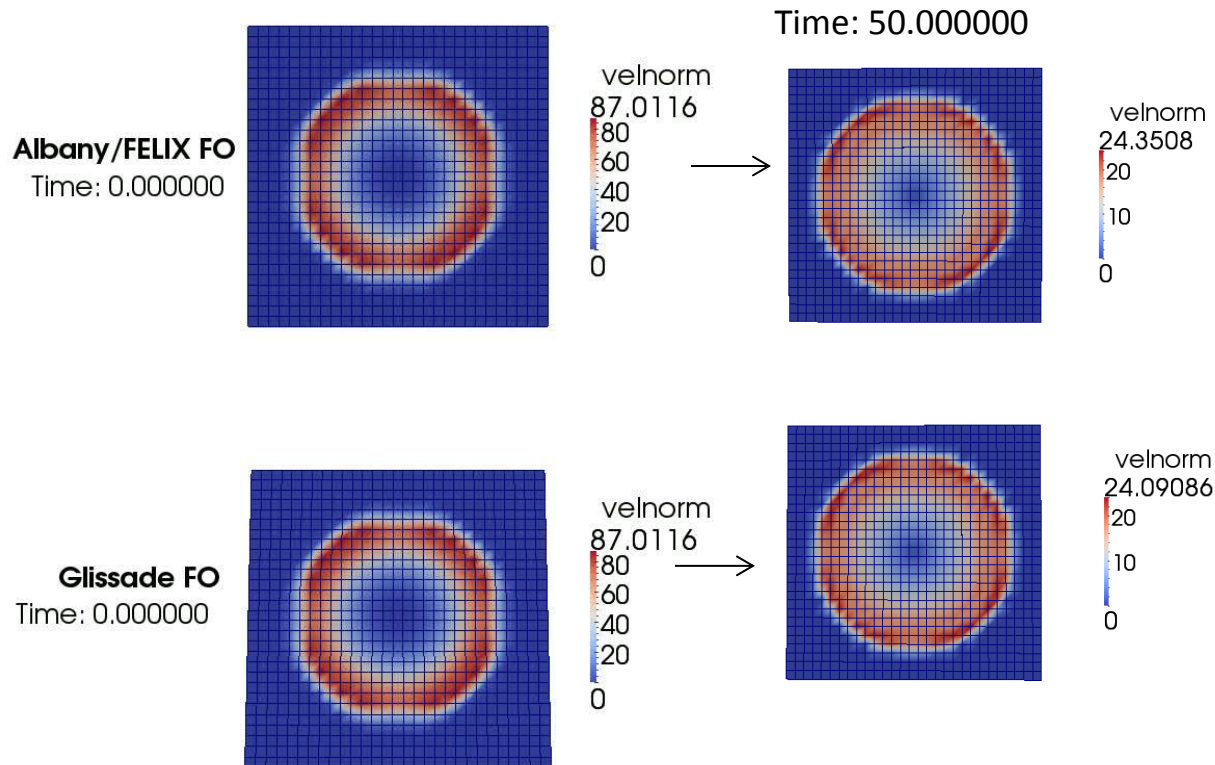
16.6M hex elements
37M unknowns

constant β , T
(no-slip)

*Data set courtesy of
M. Norman (ORNL)*

Albany/FELIX converged
on first attempt **out-of-
the-box** on this (fine)
discretization!

Transient Simulations: CISM-Albany Forward Run (Dome)

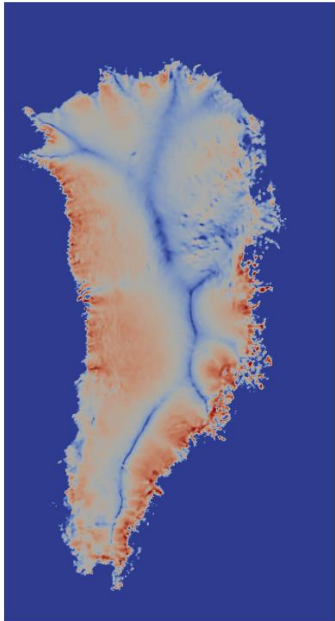


- Just began looking at transient simulations (time-stepping) last week.
- Upwind time-integration scheme (in CISM).
- Comparison to Glissade FO for Dome 50 year run.

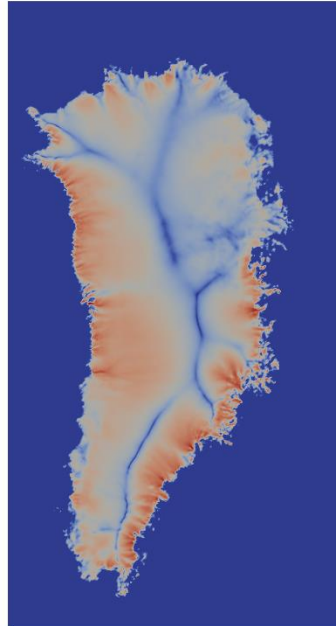
Dome Test Case
(50 years, $\Delta t = 1$ years)

*Joint work with D.
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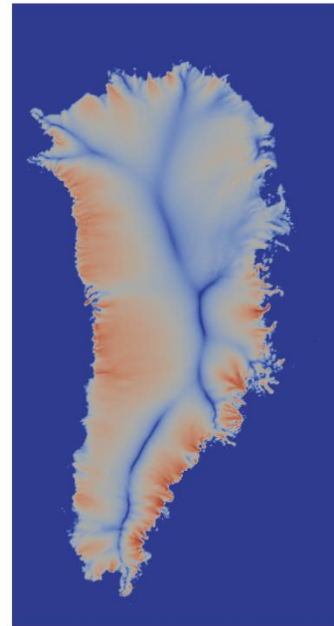
Transient Simulations: CISM-Albany Forward Run (4 km Greenland)



$t = 0$



$t = 5$



$t = 70$

70 year 4 km Greenland transient simulation using CISM-Albany converged on Titan **out-of-the box!** (2048 cores, 5 hour run)

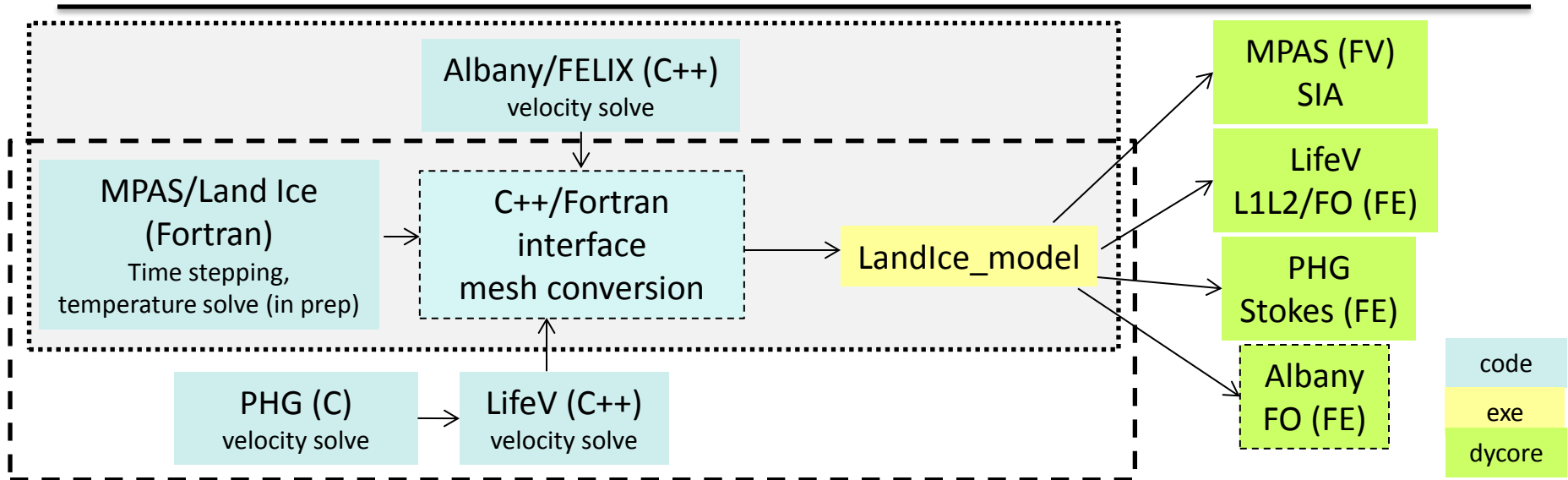
- Constant temperature/flow factor, no-slip BC at basal boundary used for now.
- $\Delta t = 0.1$ years.
- Smoothing in time due to dynamics working on initial geometry, which is very rough.

Status: time-stepping runs, but needs further testing & code optimization; flow factor passed to Albany but is not yet used there.

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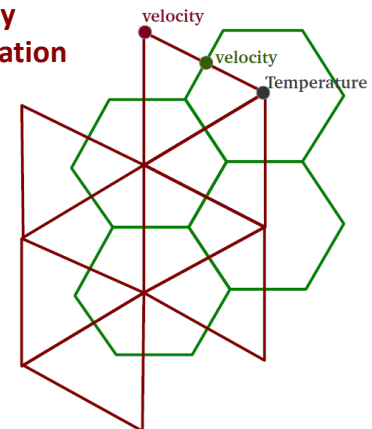
MPAS-Albany Interface

M. Perego (SNL) and
M. Hoffman (LANL)



- MPAS-Albany uses same interface used to link MPAS with **LifeV** and **PHG**, which converts MPAS **Voronoi grid** to a **Delaunay triangulation** and builds extruded tetrahedral mesh.
- MPAS Makefile scripts uses variable `EXTERNAL_LIBS` to link Albany libraries (libraries are still set manually).
- MPAS passes to Albany info about geometry, temperature, sliding coefficient, floating condition; Albany returns the velocity field.
- Time-stepping, temperature solve (work in progress) done in MPAS.

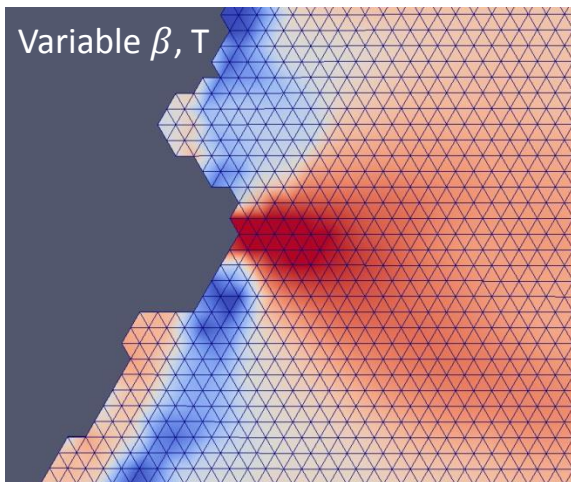
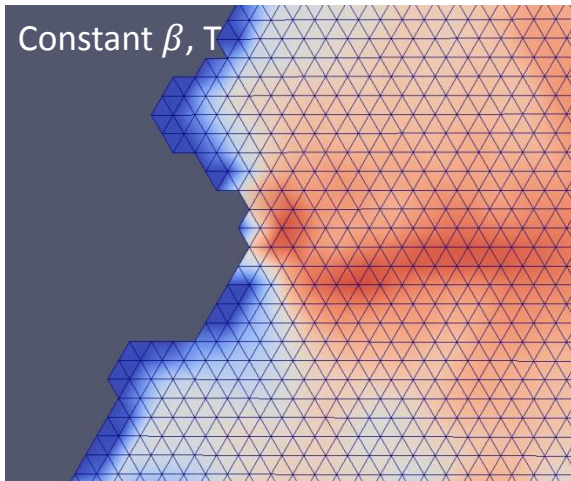
**Delaunay
Triangulation**



**Voronoi
Tessalation**

Structured Tetrahedral Grid Results (MPAS-Albany Interface)

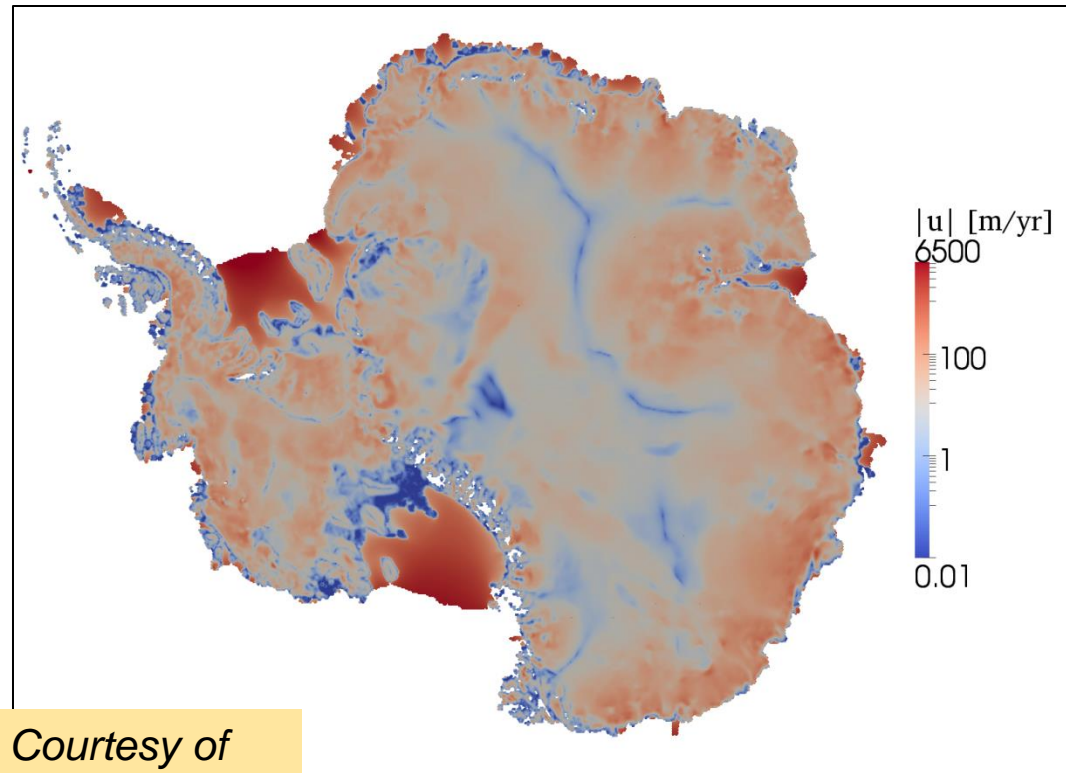
Greenland (Jakobshavn close-up)



Antarctica (10 km)

$$\beta = \begin{cases} 10^5 [\text{Land}] \\ 10^{-5} [\text{Floating}] \end{cases}$$

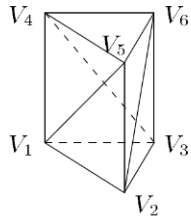
Temperature = Linear



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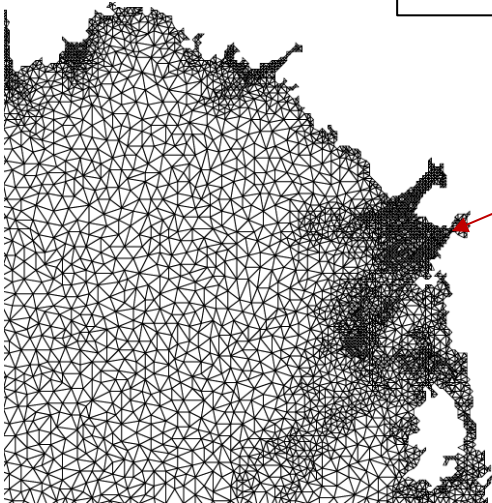
Unstructured Delaunay Triangle Grid Results

- **Step 1:** determine geometry boundaries and possible holes (**MATLAB**).
- **Step 2:** generate uniform triangular mesh and refine based on **gradient of measured surface velocity** (**Triangle – a 2D meshing software**).
- **Step 3:** obtain 3D mesh by extruding the 2D mesh in the vertical direction as **prism**, then splitting each prism into 3 **tetrahedra** (**Albany**).

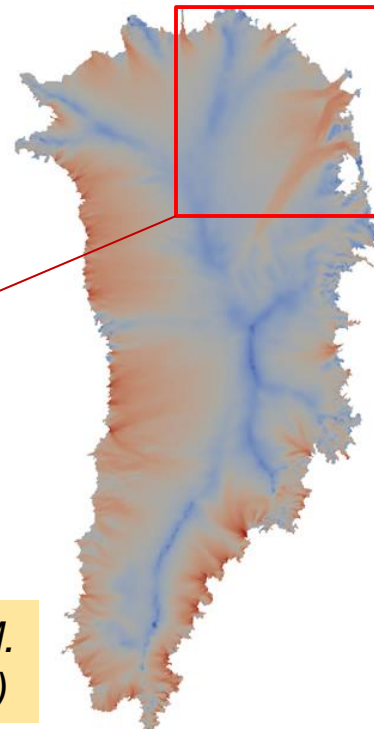


Mesh Details

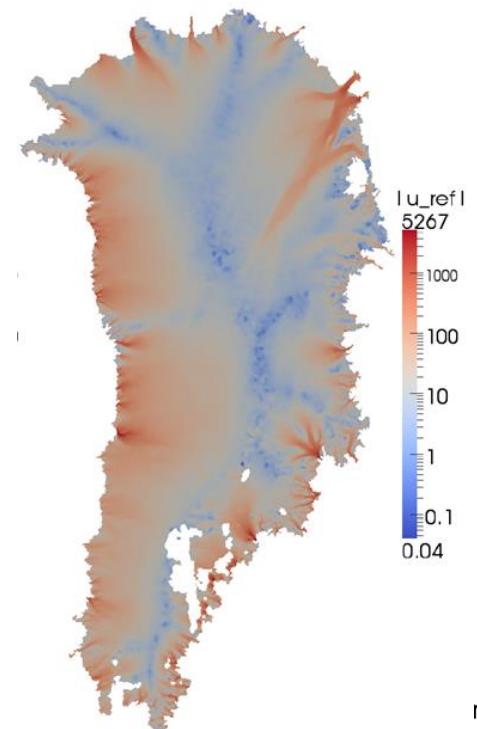
Min h : 4 km
Max h : 15 km
32K nodes



|computed surface velocity| [m/yr]



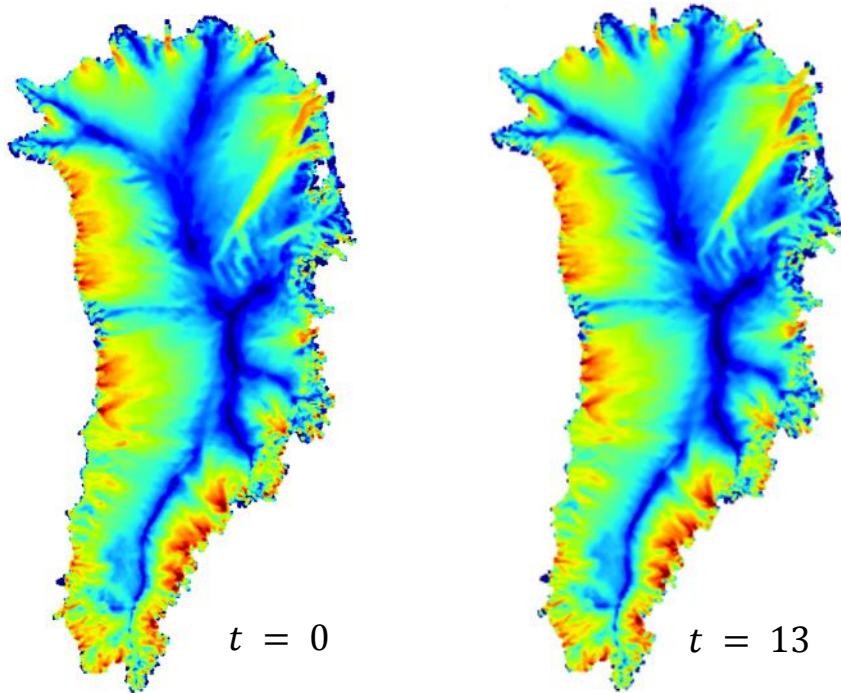
|reference surface velocity| [m/yr]



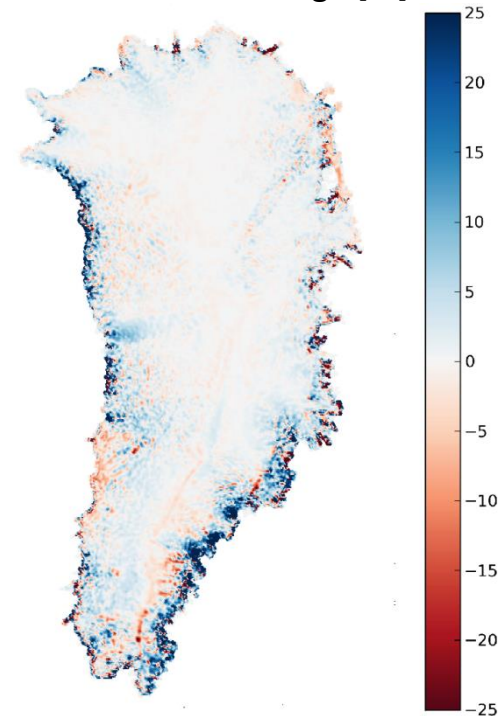
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Transient Simulations: MPAS-Albany Forward Run (5 km Greenland)

Surface velocity [km/yr]



Elevation change [m]



- Euler upwind scheme for time-integration.
- Preliminary (proof-of-concept) result up to $t = 13$ years (CFL violated with $\Delta t = 0.1$ years).

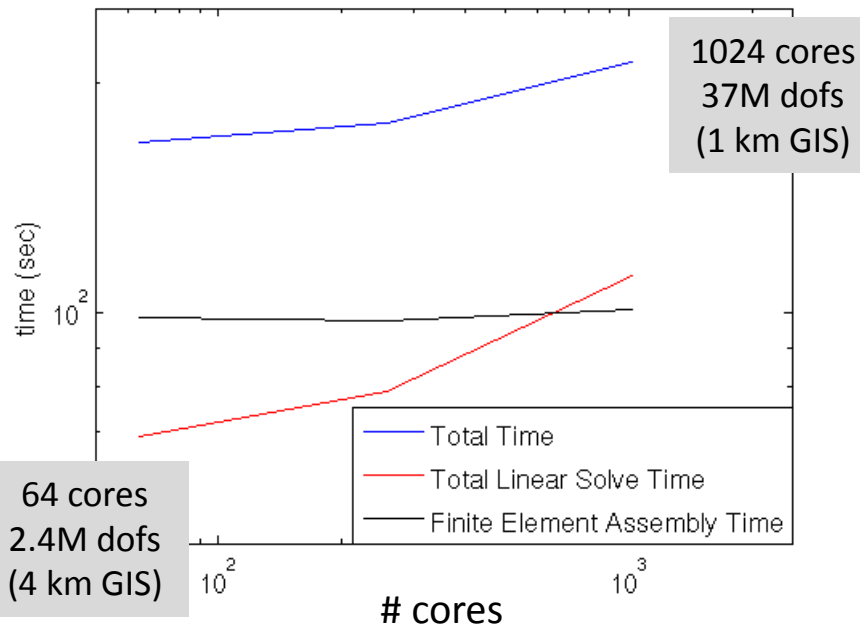
Status: time-stepping works with small Δt ;
temperature solve (in MPAS) is work in progress.

*M. Perego (SNL) and
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Greenland Weak and Strong Scalability Study (on Hopper)

Weak Scalability

Weak Scalability (4km, 2km, 1km GIS)



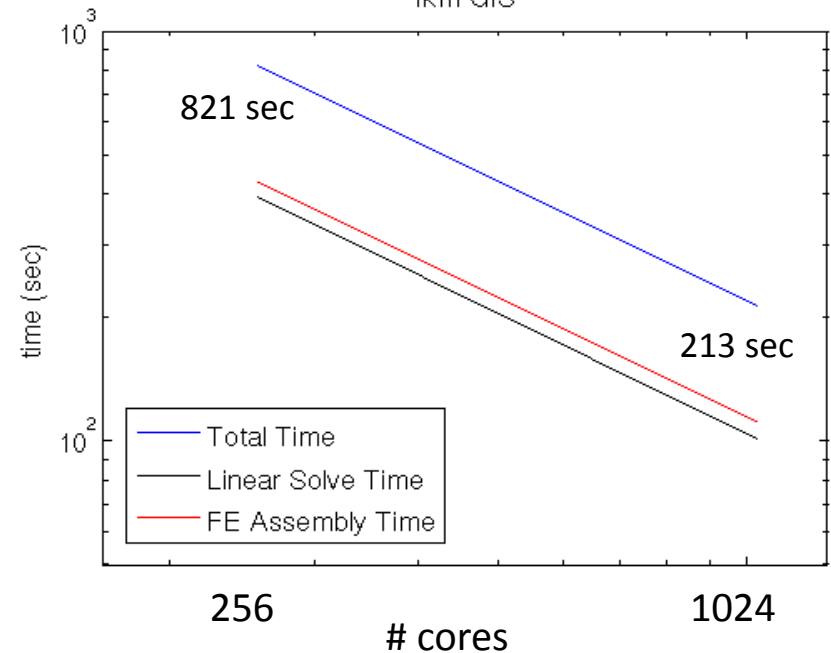
64 cores
2.4M dofs
(4 km GIS)

- Weak scaling (with changing data, ~37K dofs/core) for 9/25/13 4 km→1 km GIS data sets with no-slip at bedrock.

Joint work with R. Tuminaro, A. Salinger (SNL); P. Worley (ORNL)

Strong Scalability

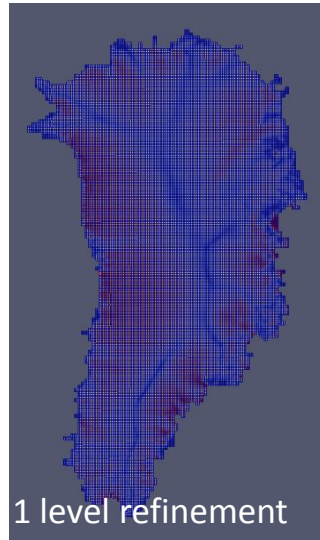
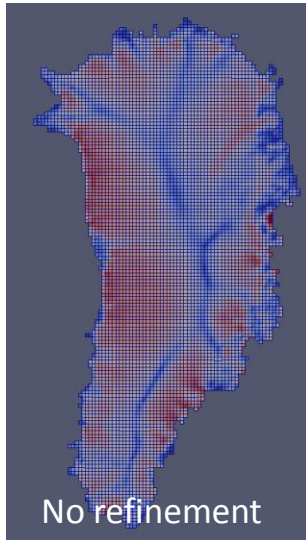
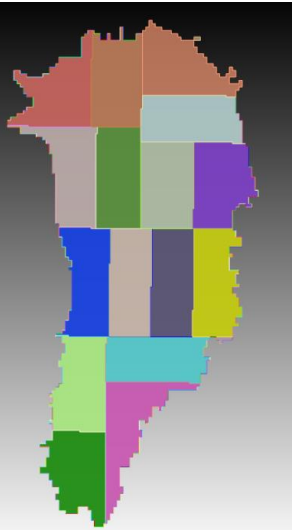
1km GIS



- Strong scaling study above for 1 km with no-slip at bedrock (37M dofs): 3.86x speedup with 4x cores.
- Only 213 seconds on 1024 cores, including homotopy (for diagnostic solve; later time steps should be ~40 seconds!)

Greenland Mesh Convergence & Controlled Scalability Study

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Why?

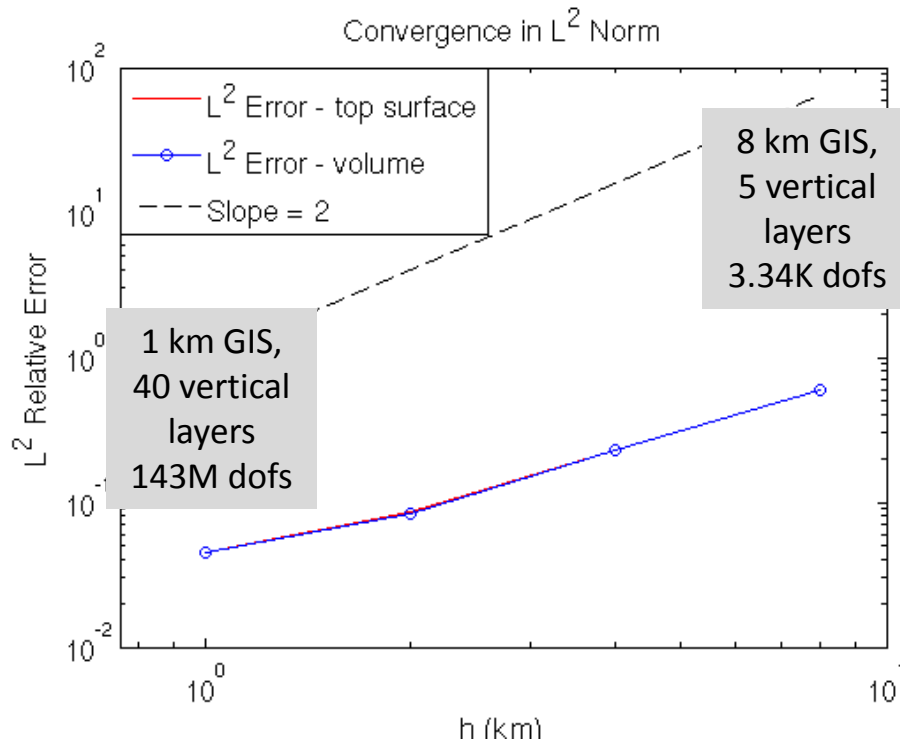
- Verify order of convergence.
- Get an idea of the discretization error.
- Study refinement in vertical levels.
- Identify best preconditioners.
- Perform controlled scalability study.

How?

- Fix geometry and data (8 km GIS hex grid with variable β , temperature fields – top middle).
- Refine mesh/data in 2D uniformly (top right) → partition 2D mesh for parallel run (top left).
- Extrude in z -dimension using N vertical layers to get 3D mesh → can study refinement as a function of # of vertical layers.
- Repeat.

Greenland Mesh Convergence Study

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- **Left:** vertical refinement for **1km GIS problem**.
- QOI (solution average) **does** change with # vertical layers.
- Fairly **good scalability** in linear solve time with respect to # of vertical layers.

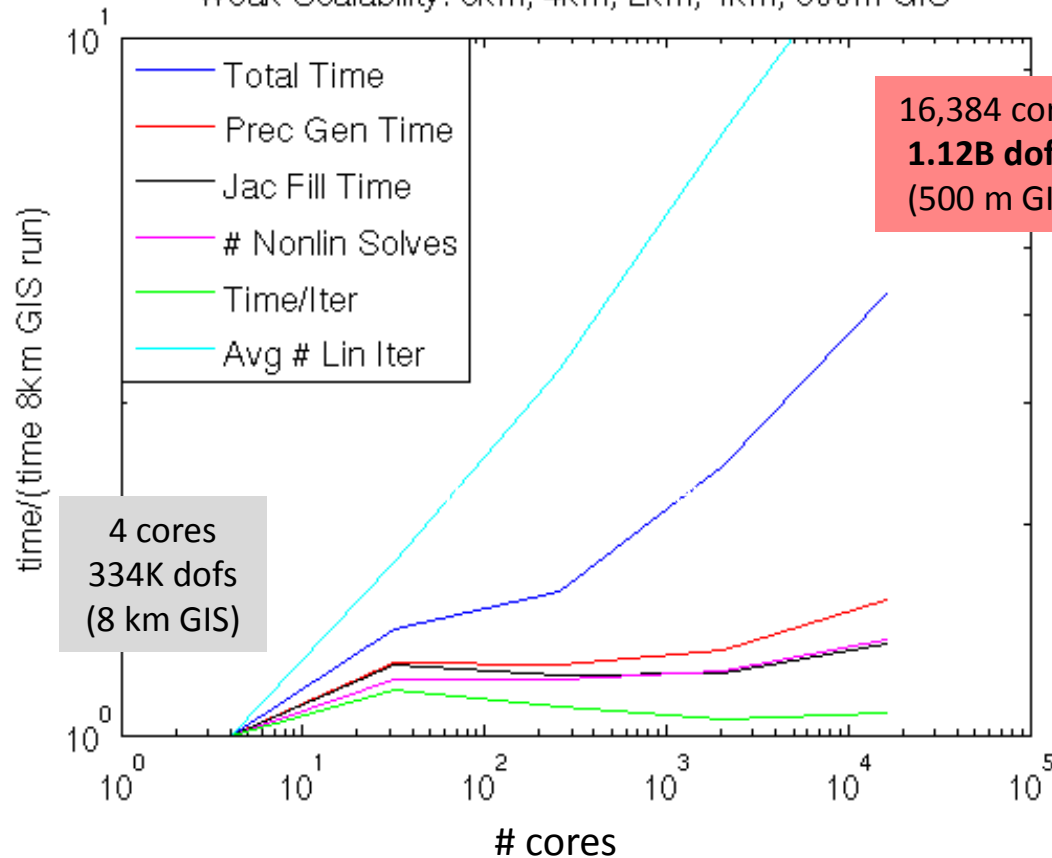
- **Theoretical Convergence Rate:** 2.00
- **Actual Convergence Rate:** 1.38
...discrepancy likely due to data fields not being entirely consistent b/w reference and computed solutions.

- **Convergence metric:** L^2 relative error in solution at top surface and volume.
- **Reference solution:** 500 m GIS with 80 vertical layers (**1.12B dofs**).

| # vertical layers/# cores | # dofs | Time/Iter (sec) | Solution Average |
|---------------------------|--------|-----------------|------------------|
| 5/128 | 21.0M | 0.1312 | 3.979 |
| 10/256 | 38.5M | 0.1257 | 4.239 |
| 20/512 | 73.5M | 0.1235 | 4.354 |
| 40/1024 | 143M | 0.1217 | 4.407 |
| 80/2048 | 283M | 0.1238 | 4.432 |

Greenland Controlled Weak Scalability Study

Weak Scalability: 8km, 4km, 2km, 1km, 500m GIS



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(SNL)

- Weak scaling study with one data set on coarse mesh, interpolated onto finer meshes.
- ~70-80K dofs/core.
- Changed from GMRES to **CG iterative method** (\Rightarrow faster convergence).
- **ILU preconditioner** works well so far.
- **Good scalability** in: FE integration, preconditioner generation, time/iteration, # nonlinear solves.
- **Scalability needs to be improved** in: # linear iterations.



Summary and Future Work

Summary:

- Albany/FELIX first-order Stokes dycore can be run on Greenland/Antarctica problems discretized by several kinds of meshes and is nearly ready for science.
- The Albany/FELIX dycore has been hooked up to the CISM and MPAS codes.
- Convergence, scalability and robustness of the Albany/FELIX code has been verified.

Verification, science simulations, scalability, robustness, UQ, advanced analysis: all attained in **~1.5 FTE of effort!**

Ongoing/future work:

- Dynamic simulations of ice evolution.
- Inversion/calibration → ***next talk (M. Perego)!***
- Running on hybrid/new architecture machines.
- Journal article on Albany/FELIX (I. Kalashnikova, A. Salinger, M. Perego, R. Tuminaro, S. Price, M. Hoffman).
- Coupling to community earth system model (CESM).

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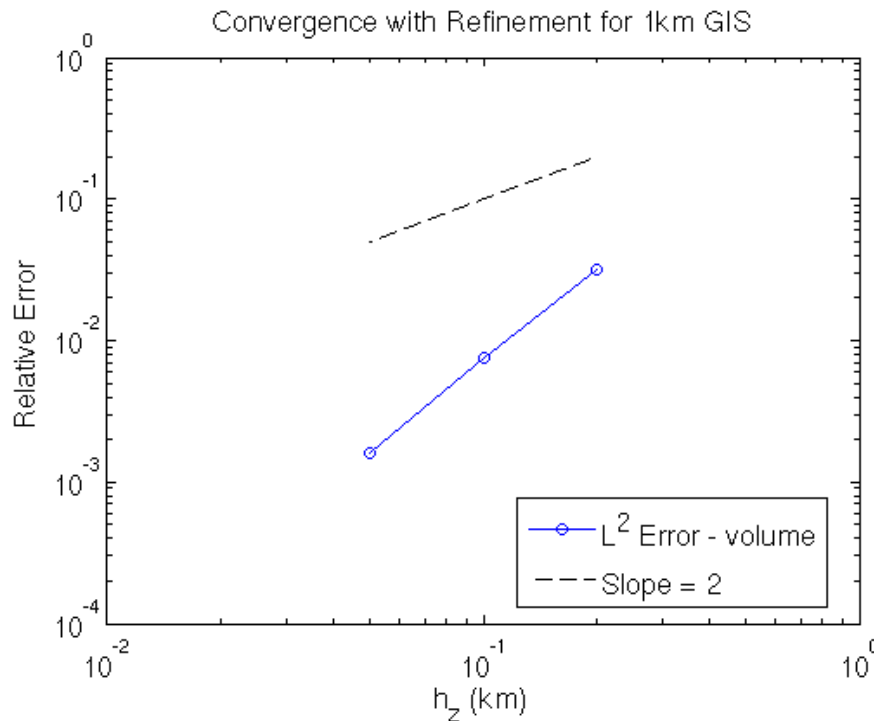
Thank you! Questions?



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Appendix: Convergence Plots for Refinement in Vertical Direction



- **Theoretical Convergence Rate: 2.00**
- **Actual Convergence Rate: 2.14**

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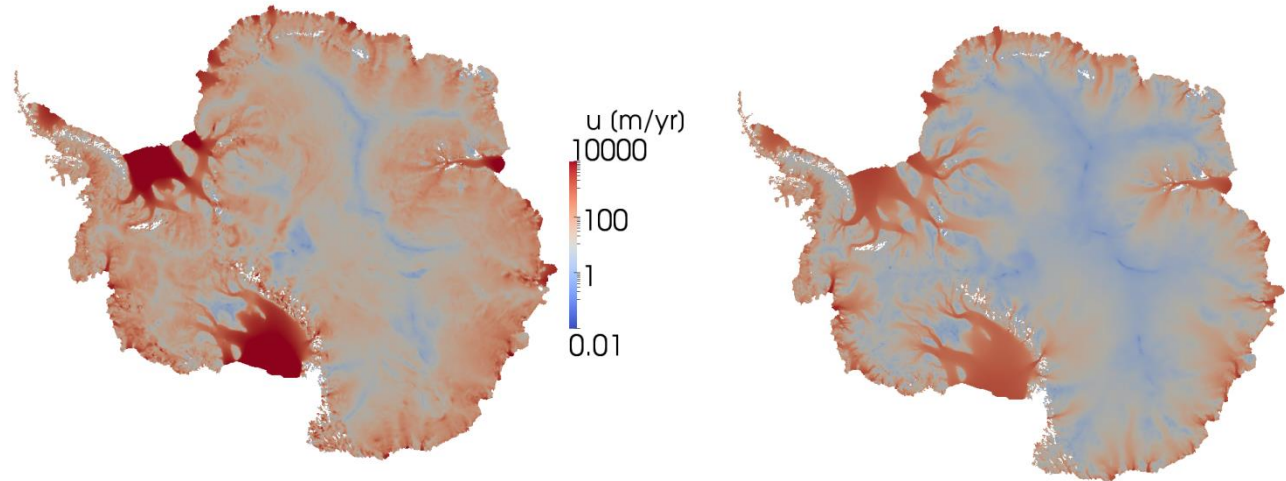
- Convergence with vertical refinement studied for **1km GIS problem**.
- **Convergence metric:** L^2 error of solution over ice volume.
- **Reference solution:** 1 km GIS with 40 vertical layers (143M dofs).

Appendix: Antarctica Unstructured Delaney Triangle Mesh + Variable β Field Result

Courtesy of M.
Perego (SNL); D.
Martin (LBNL)

Mesh Details

Min h : 2 km
Max h : 15 km
3.3M dofs



|computed surface velocity| [m/yr]

|reference surface velocity| [m/yr]

- Antarctica simulation on variable resolution **unstructured Delaunay triangle mesh** computed in Albany/FELIX.
- Albany/FELIX converged **out-of-the-box**.
- Variable β field provided by D. Martin.
- Unrealistic temperature field \rightarrow computed surface velocity (top left) does not agree well with reference surface velocity (top right).